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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd/May, through Sunday, 29th/May there were 209 countries active. Countries available: 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Andre, GM3VLB, is once again active as **3D2LB** from **Beachcomber Island (OC-121)** until **June 2nd**. Activity is expected to be on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. Over the past week he has been heard mostly on 20 meters SSB. This is expected to be a holiday style operation. QSL direct only to his home callsign: Andre Saunders, 6 Douglas Crescent, Kelso, Roxburghshire TD5 8BB, Scotland, UK.

4X17/4Z17, ISRAEL (Special Activity/Event). The Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) is proud to announce a special Amateur Radio operation honoring the largest Jewish sport event in the world - the 17th MACCABIAH GAMES - scheduled to be held in Tel-Aviv between July 10th-21st. Look for 14 Israeli special event stations to be on the air for 30 days beginning **June**

21st (20 days prior to the official opening of the games) **until July 21st**. Twelve stations will be active with the letters in their suffix from which the word "MACCABIAH" can be spelled. The other two stations will use a wild card ("joker") to assist the task. Here are the callsigns:

- Group A: 4X17M, 4X17A, 4X17C, 4X17B, 4X17I and 4X17H
- Group B: 4Z17M, 4Z17A, 4Z17C, 4Z17B, 4Z17I and 4Z17H
- Joker: 4X17MG and 4Z17MG

A special Award will be available for stations having at least 6 valid QSOs with the participating special event stations. The operation is valid for all radio amateurs and SWLs around the world. More details are available via the following Web pages:

http://www.iarc.org/~4z4tl/Maccabiah17_main.htm and <http://www.iarc.org>.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA (Mountain DXpedition Postponed!). OPDX has been informed by Alan, VK4AAR, that the proposed June expedition to a Dayak village in the mountains near Kuching City has been **postponed until August 31st**. (See [OPDX.709](#) for details) Nothing else has been changed. Operators are still being sought to join them, and any one interested should contact 9M8SC at: chansc44@yahoo.com. Alan, VK4AAR, wants it understood that he is NOT the organizer of this venture. Mr. S C Chan, 9M8SC, is in the driving seat and all E-mails should be directed to him. However, Alan is their QSL Manager by appointment. The callsign will be announced later.

A3, TONGA. YL operators Elizabeth/VE7YL and Gwen/VK3DYL are now active as **A35YL** from **Nuku'alofa (OC-049)**. Look for them to be active from **Vava'u (OC-064)** before they leave on June 8th. Their expected activity will be on 40-10 meter CW and SSB. They were spotted this past week on 20 meters CW/SSB and on 40/17 meters CW. QSL via VK3DYL, by the bureau or direct with 2 USDs or 1 new IRC.

A3, TONGA. Rick, AI5P, is expected to be in Tonga from **May 28th until June 7th** and be active as **A35PX**. Activity will be mostly on CW on 40-10 meters. As this was being typed no QSNs were reported. QSL via AI5P.

C6, BAHAMAS. Pete/W2GJ and Steve/AA4V are currently planning two trips to **Crooked Island (NA-113)**. They are expected to be active in the **IOTA Contest** in July, and the **CQ WW SSB Contest** in late October. Both contests will be a Multi-Single entries. Their callsigns will be **C6ARV** (AA4V) and **C6APR** (W2GJ). Both operators will be active on the WARC bands before and after the contests. QSL via their home callsigns (QRZ.com).

C6, BAHAMAS. Eric, K9GY, will be active as **C6AYM** from **December 23rd to January 1st**. He will be on the islands of **Nassau** and **Paradise**. Activity will be mainly QRP CW on 40-10 meters and also 6 and 2 meters. QSL via K9GY.

CQ MAGAZINE NEWS RELEASES. CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, sent out two press releases this past week. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press releases as extra bulletins. The following are excerpts or summary of the two press releases:

- **CQ Introduces "iDX Award" to Help "Wake Up DXing"** -- CQ Amateur Radio magazine announced the introduction of the "iDX Award," the third and final piece of its three-part "Waking Up DXing" program designed to encourage more DXing activity

among ham radio operators. DXing, for the uninitiated, is the "sport" of contacting other hams in faraway places. The CQ iDX Award recognizes confirmed contacts with 25 to 100 different countries ("entities") made using remote bases or repeaters linked with Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) networks, such as IRLP or Echolink, and is aimed at developing a DXing "mindset" among newer hams. Contacts for the new award may be made beginning January 1, 2006. Complete details are in the June 2005 issue of CQ and on the CQ Web site at: <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com>.

- **CQ Announces 2005 Hall of Fame Inductees** -- From Dayton, OH, on May 22nd, CQ Amateur Radio magazine announced the induction of 17 new members of its Amateur Radio, Contesting and DXing Halls of Fame.

CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame inductees are:

Mario Ambrosi, I2MQP
John Chambers, W6NLZ
Ted Cohen, N4XX
Bob Ferrero, W6RJ
William "Bud" Hargreaves, K4HMY
Chod Harris, VP2ML
Ivan "Sonny" Harrison, W5HBE
Edmund Marriner, W6BLZ/W6XM
Boris Meshevtsev, RV3IZ/EX3TM
Les Moxon, G6XN
Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ
Phillip Smith, 1ANB
Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD
Thomas, Ralph, W2UK/KH6UK

CQ Contest Hall of Fame inductees are:

Jeff Briggs, K1ZM
Charles "Rusty" Epps, W6OAT

CQ DX Hall of Fame inductees are:

Masayoshi Ebisawa, JA1DM

CS9, MADEIRA ISLAND (Special Event). During the month of July, look for special event station **CS9SRA** to be active comemorating the **50th aniversario of the Cattle Exhibition** in **Porto Moniz**, Madeira Island (CT3). Details are available (in Spanish) on the following Web pages: <http://www.arm.pt.vu> and <http://members.netmadeira.com/arm/noticias.htm>.

CU4, AZORES (Contest/IOTA/Lighthouse Activity). A group of 12 European operators will activate **Graciosa Island (EU-175)** between **July 23rd and August 4th**. Hermann, HB9CRV, will kick it off as **CU4/CT3FN** on 6 meters, including a beacon on 50.112 MHz. The entire group will begin operations as **CU4T** from **Lighthouse do Carapacho (LH-113)** on July 27. The operators mentioned are: CT1AGF, CT1EPV, CT1EGW, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, DJ2VO, DF6QV, G3KHZ, HB9CNU, HB9CQL, HB9CRV/CT3FN and HB9EBV. For the **IOTA Contest, July 30-31**, look for the group to be a Multi/Single entry, and the callsign will be changed to **CU4M**, then revert to CU4T after the contest. Outside of the contest, operations will include RTTY and PSK. QSL CU4M and CU4T to CT1GFK, direct or by the bureau. QSL CU4/CT3FN via HB9CRV, direct or by the bureau.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit: **T68G** - Afghanistan. Current operation effective April 2005.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-084.** A group of eleven Koean operators will activate **Chu'ja Island** from **June 3-5th**. Operators will sign **homecall/4**. The group of operators mentioned are: HL2EJT, HL1OJQ, HL1OYF, HL1SRJ, HL1VAU, DS1KOQ, DS1NMA, DS3MLG, DS4NMJ, DS4NYE and the President of the Korea Amateur Radio League, HL2AGG. QSL via HL1OYF.
- **EU-055.** Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as LA/homecall from Hellesoy Island between now and June 3rd. Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign (by the Bureau is "OK").
- **EU-056.** Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as **LA/DL2VFR** from **Otroy Island**, between **June 4-11th**. Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign (by the Bureau is "OK").
- **EU-064.** Members of the Provins ARC will be active using a special callsign (**TM0****) on the **Ile de Noirmoutier** (DIFM AT-020) during the **RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st)**. The group will be active from Bernard's, F9IE, QTH. Team members mentioned are: Franck/F4AJQ, Bernard/F9IE, John/F5VHQ and Pascal/F5JSD. QSL via F4AJQ, direct or by the bureau.
- **EU-065.** Look for a multi-national team from France, Scotland and Belgium to be active as **TM4Z** from **Ouessant Island** (DIFM AT-001) in the **IOTA Contest (July 30-31st)**. QSL via F4DXW, direct or by the bureau.
- **EU-108.** Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as **MM0BQI/p** from **Lunga Island**, Treshnish Isles (IOSA NH-17 and SCOTIA DI-09), **June 2-5th**. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, including the WARC bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via MM0BQI, by the Bureau or direct to: Jim Martin, MM0BQI, 3 Lismore Avenue, Edinburgh, EH8 7DW, SCOTLAND.
- **EU-158.** Operators Mike/SV1RK, Stavros/SV3CUJ and Kostas/SV1AER will be active as **J48SI** from **Sapientza Island** and Sapientza Lighthouse (GRE 116) on **June 3-5th**. Their main activity will be on 40/20/17/15 meters. This will be the first ever amateur radio activation from Sapientza Island.
- **EU-184.** Members of the Oulu University Radio Club will be active as **OH8T/P** from **Hailuoto Island** during the **IARU Region 1 Field Day (CW)**, **June 4-5th**. QSL via the bureau.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Operators Scott/N9AG (**J68AS**), Kirk/W8QID (**J68ID**) and Mark/WB9CIF (**J6/WB9CIF**) will be here from **June 21st to July 5th**. Their activity will be mostly 6 meters, RTTY and 160 meters (for the VKs), but all bands are available. QSL to their home callsigns.

KH2, GUAM. Philip, KH2X, will be active from Guam (**OC-064**) during the **RGSB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st)** as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL KH2X.

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active again as **P40W** during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via N2MM. Look for activity on the WARC bands and 160m during the week before the contest.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **NEW QSL MANAGER.** Phil, G3SWH, is pleased to announce that, effective immediately, he has been appointed the QSL Manager for James, **9J2CA**. Phil states,

"Direct preferred, Bureau OK or E-mail for Bureau card, but please remember that bureau cards take a very long time. Five years is typical. Please include adequate postage and a C6 sized SAE for the return of any direct QSLs. U.S. Dollars are *MUCH* preferred to IRCs but please remember that 1 USD is *NOT* sufficient postage for an airmail reply outside Europe. Please note that the current, new style of IRC has an expiration date of 31st December 2006. Mint stamps and other currencies are *NOT* welcome."

- **NOT THE MANAGER.** Phil, G3SWH, reports that he has started to receive QSL requests for **9K2CQ**, and he is **NOT** the QSL Manager. He has also been seeing spots on the Cluster naming him as the QSL manager.
- **NOT THE MANAGER.** Maurice, F5NQL, DX Page Editor for Megahertz Magazine, informs OPDX that he is "NOT or HAS EVER BEEN" the QSL Manager for **7V2SI** (Sandja Island) and 5U5Z. The correct QSL routes are as follows:
 - **7V2SI** - QSL via OM3CGN (per Buck.com): Ivan Gombos, Box 55, Rimavska Sobota, 97901, Slovak Republic. E-mail: om3gch@nexta.sk
 - **5U5Z** - QSL via Roger, G3SXW. Address for direct cards is (Buck.com): Roger K. Western, 7 Field Close, Chessington, Surry KT9 2QD, England, UK E-mail: G3sxw@compuserve.com
- QSL **CO8TW** via IZ8CCW. Activity was during the CQ WPX CW Contest. Look for the log to be posted at: <http://www.qsl.net/co8tw/>.
- All **CS5A** QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau automatically. For direct cards, the QSL Manager is CS1GDX: Grupo Portugues DX, P.O.Box 1156, 2736-996 Agualva, Portugal.
- QSL **VQ5L** to LA9HW, by the Bureau or direct (Please note that it is necessary to send 2 USDs for return postage from Norway when QSLing direct). This special prefix was used from Turks and Caicos Islands (VP5) during the CQ WPX SSB Contest in March.
- QSL **LX7I** via LX2AJ. Operator was Jorgen, DL4SDW, in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest.
- Andy, SP5XSD, reports that the **SP60VD** special event station's logs are now online at: <http://sp5kvw.webpark.pl/sp60vd.htm>.
- QSL **TM4Q** via F6FYA. Activity from Berthenay (Department 37). Their Web page is: <http://www.qrz.com/tm4q/>.
- **NEW QSL MANAGER.** Stuie, **VK8NSB**, informs OPDX that he has a new QSL Manager. The new manager is Neil, VK6NE. QSL is "OK" via the Bureau or direct.
- QSL **ZW8A** via PS8HF and ZW8DX via PS8DX, both direct only. Activity is by the Teresina DX Group (PS8) from the Canaria Island (SA-072).

SILENT KEYS.....

- Bill, VK4FW, informed OPDX that "I have just received news that Norman Jockane/**C21NJ** became silent key last year. This explains why we have not heard him on the bands."
- Floyd, N5FG, informs OPDX that Bushy Roode, **ZS6M**, became a "Silent Key" on Monday, May 23rd.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to Norman's and Bushy's families and friends.

SPECIAL EVENT. To celebrate the 73rd annual "**24 Heures du Mans**" being held **June 18-**

19th in Le Mans, France, the radio amateurs of Sarthe will activate **TM6ACO** between **June 5-19th**, which includes the 24 hour race. Activity will be on all bands CW and SSB. A special QSL card will be issued. QSL via F6KFI. The radio amateurs of Sarthe have been airing a special callsign for 54 years, since 1952. These callsigns have been used in the past: F3YE, F3XC, F8GE, F6KFI, TV6ACO and TM6ACO. A special "24 Heures du Mans Award" is available for anyone who has contacted three of the special callsigns (GCR + 10 Euros) by sending to F6KFI: BP22088, F-72002 LE MANS CEDEX 1 (FRANCE). More information is available at: <http://asso.proxiland.fr/aras72/>.

SPECIAL EVENT (Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration). Members of the "Great Falls Area Amateur Radio Club" in **Great Falls, Montana**, will activate the special event callsign, **W7M**, from 0000z, **June 13th** through 2359z, **June 26th**. Suggested frequencies are:

- **SSB** - 3855, 7250, 14250, 21350 and 28350 kHz
- **CW** - 35 kHz up from band edge

QSL with SASE/IRC to: W7ECA, P.O.BOX 1763, Great Falls, MT. 59403-1763

T88, PALAU. Yasu/JA6BJV and Toshio/JA3IFT will be going here for their vacation between **June 3-6th**. Yasu will operate CW as **T88AG** and Toshio will operate SSB as **T88AH**. They will be on all bands, but mainly on 40 meters and above. QSL via the bureau, to their home callsigns or direct to their address below. JA6BJV: Noriyasu Noguchi, 3-7-4 Midorigaoka, Arao, Kumamoto, 864-0033 JAPAN and JA3IFT: Toshio Nishina, 224-1, Jyuri, Ritto, Shiga 520-3039 JAPAN The T88AG log is expected to be uploaded to the LoTW.

VU, INDIA. Bob, W3YY, informs OPDX that he is sorry to report that Miku, **VU2WAP**, has lost his main tower and antenna which were destroyed in a recent storm. Miku is currently assessing the damage and deciding what to do next.

ZB2, GIBRALTAR. Adrian, G0KOM, will be active as **ZB2/G0KOM** for the **UKSMG 6 meter Contest** during the first weekend of June. He expects to be active between **June 2-6th**. Although his primary efforts will be 6 meters, he will also have HF capability and will also operate on all bands except for 160m. Adrian hopes to travel to Gibraltar at least 2 more times over the summer for the sporadic E season. QSL via his home callsign.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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